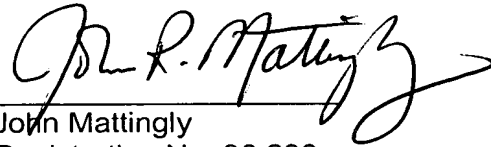


REMARKS

Entry of the above preliminary amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposti Account No. 50-1417 (H&A-136) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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